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COMPUTER-GENERATED OBJECTS

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RESPONSE TO FINAL REJECTION

SIR:

This communication is responsive to the Final Office dated August 11, 2000 and the follow-up Interview Summary which is dated October 12, 2000.

Rejections Under 35 U.S.C. §102

In the Official Action dated August 11, 2000, the Examiner rejected claims 15 and 34 under 35 U.S.C. 102(a) as being anticipated by Schilling et al ("Texram: a Smart Memory for Texturing", IEEE Computer Graphics and Applications, Vol. 16, No. 3, May 1996, pp. 32-41). In that same Official Action, the Examiner also rejected claims 15 and 34 under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by Knittel et al ("GRAMMY: High

Performance Graphics Using Graphics Memories", Proceedings of the International Workshop on High Performance Computing for Computer Graphics and Visualization, Swansea, July 1995, pp. 33-48).

Responsive to the Final Office Action mailed August 11, 2000, Applicants had a telephone interview with the Examiner on October 12, 2000. Pursuant to that interview, the Examiner withdrew the rejection under 35 U.S.C 102(b) and instead rejected claims 15 and 34 under 35 U.S.C 102(a) for both of the cited references. During the interview, as noted in the Interview Summary, the Examiner indicated the rejection could be overcome by filing affidavits signed by the inventors under 37 C.F.R. 1.132. As per the Examiner's request, Applicants submit herewith their *Declarations of Facts in Support of Filing on Behalf of an Inventor Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.132*.

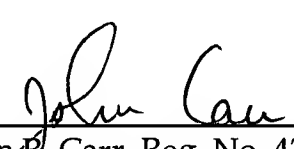
In view of the foregoing, Applicants request the Examiner withdraw her rejection and that all claims be allowed. Allowance at an early date would be greatly appreciated. Should the Examiner have any further questions, she is strongly encouraged to telephone the undersigned.

Respectfully submitted,

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